

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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May 19, 2015

ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE CALIFORNIA STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY CLIMATE READY GRANT PROGRAM AND SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT FOR COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS AVAILABLE TO THE FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT TO FUND THE EUGENE A. OBREGON PARK PERMEABLE PAVING PROJECT (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Request to adopt resolutions authorizing the acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$100,000 from the California State Coastal Conservancy under the Climate Ready Grant Program and allowing the Department of Parks and Recreation to submit a grant application to the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District for County Excess Funds, available to the First Supervisorial District, pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996, in the amount of \$289,000, to partially fund the Obregon Park Permeable Paving Project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Adopt a resolution to accept competitive grant funds from the California State Coastal Conservancy under the California State Coastal Conservancy Climate Ready Grant Program in the amount of \$100,000 for the Obregon Park Permeable Paving Project.
- 2. Adopt a resolution to submit a grant application to the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District for County Excess Funds, available to the First Supervisorial District, pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996, in the amount of \$289,000, to partially fund the proposed Obregon Park Permeable Paving Project.

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- 3. Delegate authority to the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, as agent of the County of Los Angeles, to accept the grant, conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to, applications, contracts, agreements, amendments, deed restrictions, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the proposed Obregon Park Permeable Paving Project.
- 4. Find the proposed Obregon Park Permeable Paving Project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated herein and the reasons reflected in the record of the project.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to complete the grant submission and acceptance process as required by the California State Coastal Conservancy (State), and submit a grant application to the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (RPOSD) for County Excess Funds, available to the First Supervisorial District, pursuant to the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (1996 Proposition), in the amount of \$289,000, to partially fund the proposed Obregon Park Permeable Paving Project (Project).

In an effort to develop a sustainable park, the proposed Project at Eugene A. Obregon Park, located at 4021 East 1st Street in the unincorporated area of East Los Angeles, will include the removal and replacement of asphalt in the courtyard area and both parking lots with permeable paving to manage storm water, recharge groundwater, and mitigate heat island effects.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The proposed recommendations further the Board approved County Strategic Plan Goal of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) to maximize the effectiveness of processes, structure, operations, and strong fiscal management to support timely delivery of customer-oriented and efficient public services.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total project cost is \$389,000, which will be funded with \$100,000 from the State's Climate Ready Grant Program and \$289,000 in County Excess Funds available to the First Supervisorial District. Approval of the recommended actions will not result in any fiscal impact to the County.

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

The recommended actions allow the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) to apply for grant funding necessary to develop and operate a model sustainable park. Based on the grant project provisions, one-time and ongoing costs may result upon project completion. The Department will work with the Chief Executive Office to confirm the appropriate level of additional operating costs and will submit a New Facilities Request in the appropriate fiscal year.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The State requires that the Department submit a resolution adopted by its governing body authorizing the acceptance of grant funds in the event of grant award.

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RPOSD requires that the Department submit a resolution adopted by its governing body authorizing the submission of the grant application. The Department also includes language in the resolution accepting the grant funds in the event of grant award.

County Counsel has reviewed this letter and approved the resolutions as to form.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Section 15302(c) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Class 2 (e) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the Project provides for the replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The proposed actions will not have any impact on current services or projects.

CONCLUSION

Please forward one adopted copy of this action to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division, and three adopted copies to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Should you have any questions, please contact Imee Perius at (213) 738-2972 or iperius@parks.lacounty.gov, Luva Robinson at (213) 637-1845 or Irobinson@parks.lacounty.gov, or Kaye Michelson at (213) 738-2955 or kmichelson@parks.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

c: Interim Chief Executive Officer
 County Counsel
 Acting Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Approving the Grant of Funds from the State Coastal Conservancy for the Permeable Paving Project

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of California has established the State Coastal Conservancy ("Conservancy") under Division 21 of the California Public Resources Code, and has authorized the Conservancy to award grants to public agencies and nonprofit organizations to implement the provisions of Division 21; and

WHEREAS, the Conservancy awards grants for projects that it determines are consistent with Division 21 of the Public Resources Code and with the Conservancy's Strategic Plan and that best achieve the Conservancy's statutory objectives, in light of limited funding.

WHEREAS, at its January 29, 2015 meeting, the Conservancy adopted a resolution authorizing a grant to the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation ("grantee") the Permeable Paving Phase of the Obregon Model Green Park Project ("the project"). The resolution was adopted by the Conservancy pursuant to and is included in the Conservancy's January 29, 2015 staff recommendation, a copy of which is on file with the grantee and with the Conservancy.

WHEREAS, the Conservancy requires that governing body of the grantee certify through a resolution that it approves the award of Conservancy grant funding and authorizes the execution by a representative of the grantee of a grant agreement on terms and conditions required by the Conservancy;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the grantee hereby:

- 1. Approves the award of grant funding from the Conservancy for the project.
- 2. Acknowledges that it has or will have sufficient funds to complete the project and, if any property is acquired as part of the project to operate and maintain the property, and, if any facilities are constructed as a part of the project, to operate and maintain the facilities for a reasonable period, not less than the useful life of the facilities.
- 3. Agrees to provide any funds beyond the Conservancy grant funds necessary to complete the project.
- 4. Agrees to be bound by all terms and conditions of the grant agreement and any other agreement or instrument as may be required by the Conservancy and as may be necessary to fulfill the terms of the grant agreement and to complete the project.

5. Authorizes any person holding any of the following positions with the grantee to act as a representative of the grantee, to negotiate and execute on behalf of the grantee all agreements and instruments necessary to complete the project and to comply with the Conservancy's grant requirements, including, without limitation, the grant agreement: Director, Chief Deputy Director and Special Assistant.
The foregoing resolution was adopted on the ————————————————————————————————————
PATRICK OGAWA, Acting Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles
By Deputy Caufornia

APPROVED AS TO FORM: MARK J. SALADINO County Counsel

CHRISTINA A. SALSEDA

Principal Deputy County Counsel

Ayes: _____ Noes: _____ Absent: _____

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR FIRST SUPERVISORIAL EXCESS FUNDING FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT TO FUND THE EUGENE A. OBREGON PARK PERMEABLE PAVING PROJECT

WHEREAS, the people of the County of Los Angeles on November 3, 1992, and on November 5, 1996 enacted Los Angeles County Proposition A, Safe Neighborhood Parks, Gang Prevention, Tree-Planting, Senior and Youth Recreation, Beach and Wildlife Protection (Propositions), which among other uses, provides funds to public agencies and nonprofit organizations in the County for the purpose of acquiring and/or development facilities and open space for public recreation; and

WHEREAS, the Propositions also created the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (District) to administer said funds; and

WHEREAS, the District has set forth the necessary procedures governing application for grant funds under the Propositions, and

WHEREAS, the District's procedures require the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) to certify, by resolution, the approval of applications before submission of said applications to the District; and

WHEREAS, said application contains assurances that the Department must comply with; and

WHEREAS, the Department certifies, through this resolution, that the application is approved for submission to the District; and

WHEREAS, the Department will enter into an agreement with the District to provide funds for the Obregon Park Permeable Paving Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY:

- 1. Approves the filing of an application with the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District for Funds for the above project; and
- 2. Certifies that the Department understands the assurances and certification in the application form; and
- 3. Certifies that the Department has or will have, sufficient funds to operate maintain the project in perpetuity; and
- 4. Certifies that the Department will sign and return, within 30 days, both copies of the project agreement sent by the District for authorizing signature; and

5. Appoints the Director of Parks and Recreation, or designee, as agent of the County of Los Angeles to conduct all negotiations, and to execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, memoranda of unrecorded grant agreements, deed restrictions, amendments, payment requests and so forth, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned projects.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on the 19th day of ______, 2015, by the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

PATRICK OGAWA, Acting Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles

By ____ Deputy



APPROVED AS TO FORM: MARK J. SALADINO County Counsel

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